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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING January 1, 2002

MM/DD/YY

AND ENDING December 31, 2002

MM/DD/YY

#### A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Cheval Capital, Inc.

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ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

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(State)

(Zip Code)

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(Area Code - Telephone Number)

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# **B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*

Buck, Sturmer & Co., P.C.

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

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(State)

(Zip Code)

#### **CHECK ONE:**

M Certified Public Accountant

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#### Financial Statements

# Year Ended December 31, 2002

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# CHEVAL CAPITAL, INC.

REPORT PURSUANT TO SEC RULE 17A-5(d)

December 31, 2002

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors Cheval Capital, Inc. Alexandria, VA

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Cheval Capital, Inc. as of December 31, 2002 and the related statements of income, changes in stockholder's equity and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cheval Capital, Inc. as of December 31, 2002 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I, II and III is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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BUCK, STURMER & CO., P.C. Certified Public Accountants

February 18, 2003 New York, NY

#### Statement of Financial Condition

# December 31, 2002

#### ASSETS

Cash and equivalents	\$	236,915
Investment in securities		3,300
Property and equipment, net of depreciation		17,688
Other assets	<del></del>	7,414
TOTAL	\$	265,317

### LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	10,239
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Common Stock - \$ 0.01 Par Value; Authorized 1,000		
Shares; Issued 100 Shares		1
Additional paid-in capital		43,349
Retained earnings - EXHIBIT C	رست رساسي	211,728
Total Stockholder's Equity		255,078
TOTAL	\$	265,317

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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# Statement of Income

# Year Ended December 31, 2002

REVENUES:	
Fee income	\$ 24,754
Interest income	 3,332
Total Income	 28,086
EXPENSES:	
Officers' compensation and benefits	26,506
Occupancy costs	53,158
Depreciation and amortization	9,739
Membership, registration and other fees	1,426
Communications	10,828
Other operating expenses	 25,399
Total Expenses	 127,056
NET LOSS - EXHIBIT C:	\$ (98,970)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT C

# Cheval Capital, Inc.

# Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity Year Ended December 31, 2002

	Capita Cor Shares	1 Sto		_ Additional _ Paid-in Retained		Total Stockholder's Equity			
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Balance, beginning	100	\$	1	\$	43,349	\$	310,698	\$	354,048
Net Loss - EXHIBIT B							(98,970)		(98,970)
Balance, ending-EXHIBIT A	100	\$	1	\$	43,349	\$	211,728	\$	255,078

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of Cash Flows

# Year Ended December 31, 2002

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Net Loss - EXHIBIT B	\$ (98,970)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net	
cash used in operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization	9,739
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) decrease:	
Other assets	961
Increase (decrease):	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	 (6,058)
Net cash used in operating activities	 (94,328)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Purchase of property and equipment	 (1,152)
Net cash used in investing activities	 (1,152)
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Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(95,480)
Cash and equivalents - beginning of year	 332,395
Cash and equivalents - end of year - EXHIBIT A	\$ 236,915

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### December 31, 2002

#### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Cheval Capital, Inc. (the Company) is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. The Company is a Virginia corporation incorporated on July 12, 1996.

The Company provides investment banking services to corporate clients. Such services include acting as a placement agent in private equity and debt offerings and providing financial advice in mergers and acquisitions and other areas.

#### NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Fee Income

Fee income is recorded as earned, with billed but not paid amounts reflected as accounts receivable and amounts received but not yet earned reflected as deferred fee income.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets(primarily five years). When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and any gain or loss is recognized currently. The cost of maintenance and repairs is charged to expense as incurred, whereas renewals and betterments are capitalized.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

All highly liquid instruments with purchase maturities of three months or less are considered cash equivalents.

#### Income Taxes

The Company has elected, with the consent of its stockholder, to be taxed as an "S" Corporation under Internal Revenue Code Section 1362(a). An "S" Corporation does not generally pay income taxes but, instead, its stockholder is taxed on the Company's income. Therefore, these statements do not include any provision for federal corporate income taxes.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### December 31, 2002

#### NOTE 3 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

A summary of property and equipment at December 31, 2002 is as follows:

Property and equipment
Less: accumulated depreciation

\$ 60,313 ( 42,625)

\$ 17,688

#### NOTE 4 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule(SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1(and the rule of the applicable exchange also provides that equity may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2002, the Company had net capital of \$ 222,135, which was \$ 217,135 in excess of its required net capital of \$ 5,000. The Company's aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .05 to 1.00.

#### NOTE 5 - PENSION PLAN

Cheval Capital, Inc. maintains a defined contribution profit sharing pension plan for all employees meeting minimum eligibility requirements. Contributions totalled \$ 5,000 for year ended December 31, 2002.

#### NOTE 6 - LEASE COMMITMENT

On March 9, 2000 the Company entered into a lease for office space commencing on April 1, 2000 and expiring March 31, 2004. The lease provides in part for the payment of contingent rentals based upon the escalation of real estate taxes and certain operating expenses.

Future minimum payments under the lease are as follows for the years ending:

Total	\$ 65,718
2004	 13,221
2003	\$ 52,497
December 31,	

#### NOTE 7 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

The Company maintains their cash accounts at various financial institutions. The balances, at times, may exceed federally insured limits.

Supplementary Information Pursuant to Rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

# Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

# As of December 31, 2002

WET CAPITAL				
Total stockholder's equity qualified for net capital			\$	255,078
Deductions and/or charges:				
Nonallowable assets:				
Securities	\$	3,300		
Property and equipment		17,688		
Other assets		7,414		28,402
POTAL NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUT ON SECURITIES POSITIONS				
(tentative net capital)				226,676
Haircuts on securities				
Money market funds				4,541
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NET CAPITAL			<u>\$</u>	222,135
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS				
Items included in statement of financial condition:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses			\$	10,239
Total aggregate indebtedness			\$	10,239
COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT				
Minimum net capital required:				
Company			\$	5,000
Excess net capital			\$	217,135
Excess net capital at 1,000%			\$	221,111
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital				05 to 1

#### RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION

There is no material difference from the Company's computation, therefore a reconciliation is not included.

# Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

As of December 31, 2002

There are no reportable items with regard to the reserve requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.

# Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

As of December 31, 2002

There are no reportable items with regard to the possession or control requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.

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To the Board of Directors Cheval Capital, Inc. Alexandria, VA

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Cheval Capital, Inc. (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2002, we considered its internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(q)(1) of the Securities Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. We did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Commission's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to

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permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weakness as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2002, to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors, management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, National Association of Securities Dealers Regulation, Inc., and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and should not be used for any other purpose.

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New York, New York

February 18, 2003